

Coast Guard, DHS

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The rate will depend upon the vessel design, products to be carried and foam system to be used.

(c) *Supply of foam-producing material.* Each deck foam system must have a supply of foam-producing material sufficient to operate the system at its designed rate of foam production for the following periods:

(1) For installations contracted for on or after January 1, 1970, 15 minutes without recharging, except as required in paragraph (c)(2) of this section.

(2) For installations on ships that have a keel laying date on or after January 1, 1975, 20 minutes without recharging.

(d) *Separate supply of foam-producing material.* Where the same foam-producing material may be used for this system as well as a fixed foam system, separate supplies need not be provided for each space protected. The total available supply shall be at least sufficient for the space requiring the greatest amount.

(e) *Water supply.* Suitable pumps shall be provided capable of producing the required water rate. The fire pumps required by subpart 34.10 may be used for this purpose; however, the operation of the deck foam system shall not interfere with the simultaneous use of the fire main system.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16694, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGFR 69-72, 34 FR 17481, Oct. 29, 1969; CGD 74-127, 41 FR 3846, Jan. 26, 1976; CGD 95-028, 62 FR 51199, Sept. 30, 1997]

§ 34.20-10 Controls—T/ALL.

(a) The foam agent, its container, measuring devices, and other items peculiar to this system shall be of an approved type.

(b) The foam agent container and the main controls for operating the system shall be located in a protected space not likely to be made inaccessible in the event of a fire in any portion of the cargo area.

(c) Complete, but simple instructions for the operation of the system shall be located in a conspicuous place at or near the controls.

(d) All valves shall be marked as required by § 35.40-17.

(e) The deck foam system on each tankship that has a keel laying date on or after January 1, 1975, must be capa-

ble of being actuated, including introduction of foam to the foam main, within three minutes of notification of a fire.

[CGFR 65-50, 30 FR 16694, Dec. 30, 1965, as amended by CGD 74-127, 41 FR 3846, Jan. 26, 1976]

§ 34.20-15 Piping—T/ALL.

(a) All piping, valves, and fittings shall meet the applicable requirements of subchapter F (Marine Engineering) of this chapter.

(b) All piping, valves, and fittings of ferrous materials shall be protected inside and outside against corrosion unless specifically approved otherwise by the Commandant.

(c) The piping and outlet arrangement shall allow the required rate of applications as contained in § 34.20-5(b), to any portion of the open deck of the cargo area through the use of the mounted and hand-held appliances that are provided. At least 50 percent of the required rate of application shall be from the mounted appliances. One or more hose outlets for hand-held appliances shall be provided at each foam station. For enclosed spaces, application of at least 1.6 gallons per minute water rate for each 10 square feet of the enclosed area for 5 minutes is acceptable. For the purpose of this paragraph, all piping is assumed to be damaged in way of the fire and an adequate number of valves shall be fitted to prevent loss of foam by closing valves to damaged piping.

(d) All piping, valves, and fittings shall be securely supported, and where necessary, protected against injury.

(e) Drains and dirt traps shall be fitted where necessary to prevent the accumulation of dirt or moisture.

(f) Piping shall not be used for any other purpose than firefighting, drills, and testing.

(g) Tankships of 100,000 or more DWT (metric) and combination carriers of 50,000 or more DWT (metric) that have a keel laying date on or after January 1, 1975, must have at least one foam station port and at least one foam station starboard that are separated from each other by a distance equal to at least one-half the beam of the vessel: